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Title

METHOD OF PRODUCING A JOINTLESS AND POROUS

GRANULAR COVERING, AND GRANULAR COVERING

PRODUCED BY THIS METHOD

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 1, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 2 of this paper; and

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being electronically filed with the USPTO, Commissioner for Patents, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on November 1, 2006.

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